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Applicant BANYU PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.								
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Box No. VI	Certain documents cited	ments cited						
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1.	Statement						
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-22	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-22	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-22	YES			
		Claims		NO			

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: Indian Journal of Chemistry, Section B:
Organic Chemistry Including Medicinal
Chemistry, Vol. 28B, No. 11, pages 987 to
989, 1989

Document 2: Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry, Vol. 25, No. 3, pages 827 to 830, 1988

Document 3: EP 156734 A2

Document 4: JP 4-211085 A

Document 5: WO 01/034152 A1

Claims 1 to 14

With regards to the inventions involving the compounds set forth in claims 1 to 14 of the present application and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, although documents 1 to 5 cited in the international search report disclose compounds that have similar chemical structures (e.g., document 1 discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-3) set forth in claim 12 of the present application, document 2 discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-2) set forth in claim 10 of the present application and document 3

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discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-3) set forth in claim 11 of the present application), the documents in question do not disclose the moiety represented by the variable W within the group represented by the formula E-O-W set forth in claim 1 of the present application, and said documents do not suggest that it might be possible to employ the moiety that is represented by the variable W, either. Such being the case, the inventions set forth in claims 1 to 14 are novel and involve an inventive step in relation to the documents that are cited in the international search report.

Claims 15 to 22

The inventions set forth in claims 15 to 22 pertain to prescribed antagonists, to prescribed inverse agonists or to prophylactic and therapeutic agents against prescribed diseases, all of which comprise one of the compounds that are set forth in claims 1 to 14 as an active component; meanwhile, the inventions set forth in claims 1 to 14 are novel and involve an inventive step, as is indicated above. Such being the case, the inventions set forth in claims 15 to 22 are also novel and involve an inventive step in relation to the documents that are cited in the international search report in as much as said inventions involve the inventions that are set forth in claims 1 to 14.

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